



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

REGION IX

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Thomas Rodriguez
Chairman
La Jolla Band of Luiseno Indians
22000 Highway 76
Pauma Valley, California 92061

Dear Chairman Rodriguez:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region 9 is pleased to announce the availability of financial assistance as follows:

APPLICATION DUE DATE: JUN 24 2015

TYPE: AMENDMENT #4 to Grant #BG00T63212
PROGRAM TITLE: Performance Partnership Grant (PPG)
STATUTORY AUTHORITY: Appropriation Act of 1996 (PL-104-134)
CATALOG OF FEDERAL
DOMESTIC ASSISTANCE NO.: 66.605
DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY: 1-101 Performance Partnership Grants

FEDERAL FUNDS AVAILABLE and REQUIRED NON-FEDERAL MATCH:
(A complete single application and final workplan must be submitted using Grants.gov)

PROGRAM	Federal Amount Available*	Required Match (Based on Total Project Cost)	TOTAL
CWA-106 (Water Pollution Control)	\$75,000	\$3,947 (5%)	\$78,947
CWA-319 (Non-point Source) - BASE - COMPETITIVE	\$30,000 Base \$99,985 Competitive	\$1,578 (5%) Base \$5,262 (5%) Competitive	\$31,578 Base \$105,247 Competitive
General Assistance Program (GAP) - CORE - SUPPLEMENTAL	Funding previously received	0%	N/A
TOTAL:	\$204,985	\$10,787	\$215,772

*Please note that EPA has the discretion to change the allocation amount at any time until a grant is awarded.

Please submit the additional information requested as follows:

- 1) Workplan components and budget for CWA – 106 and 319, based on the following EPA comment:

I reviewed the revised draft work plans and budgets submitted via email on April 9th regarding the February 2nd and 13th proposals and need you to address and/or consider the following before finalizing the workplan and sending in your application:

- Greening Grants: All Grant Project Officers are required to let grant applicants know that grantees may include a task in the workplan to address the EPA Region 9 Greening Grants Policy. The Policy encourages voluntary efforts to incorporate sustainability practices into your grant-funded programs. Please let me know if you decide to continue to volunteer for this effort.
- 2) Please contact Jay Colingham, Clean Water Project Officer, to discuss and revisions that may be needed for the 319 Competitive Project proposal, final budget and final workplan.

A complete single application with one workplan and budget reflecting the above comments must be submitted by the due date indicated. In completing your application, enter the Catalog of Federal Assistance Number (CFDA) for PPGs – 66.605 – in box #11 on SF-424A application form, not the CFDA for any of the individual grant programs going into the PPG.

Effective **February 17, 2015**, EPA grant applicants must use Grants.gov to submit their applications. The Grants.gov registration process can take up to 30 days to complete. Therefore, it is highly recommended that EPA applicants complete their registration on grants.gov now. Also, your organization's registration in SAM.gov must be active to utilize Grants.gov. If it appears that the grants.gov registration process may prevent you from submitting your application by the due date aforementioned, then please contact support@grants.gov or call 1-800-518-4726 as support is available 24 hours a day and 7 days a week. You should also notify your Project Officer before the application due date to request an extension.

Please review both Attachment 2 on grants.gov instructions and Attachment 3 on Region 9 Guidance Information for Applicants (or go to <http://www.epa.gov/region9/funding/information.html>) for additional resources on Grants.gov, Federal Regulations, and new EPA requirements. We suggest you forward these materials to your Project Manager, Financial Officer and any other personnel in your organization requiring this information.

Since there may have been changes to various EPA assistance regulations, please remember to obtain a copy of the Code of Federal Regulations, Title 40, Parts 1-49. This CFR is updated every July 1 and includes the Chapter I, Subchapter B, which are regulations applicable to your cooperative agreement. The CFR is available through the internet at the following address: <http://www.epa.gov/region09/funding/before.html>.

Questions regarding Grants.gov, the application or administrative/fiscal matters should be referred to Alba Espitia, of the EPA Region 9 Grants Management Office, at (415) 972-3667 or Espitia.alba@epa.gov. Please contact your Project Officer, Pamela Overman at (415) 972-3781 or Overman.pamela@epa.gov regarding programmatic questions (e.g. development of final PPG workplan). If you have questions regarding the Clean Water Act Programs feel free to contact Jay Colingham at (415) 972-3562.

Sincerely,



Laura M. Ebbert
Manager
Tribal Section

Attachments

1. Grants.gov Instructions Guide
2. Region 9 Guidance information for Applicants

cc: Nathan Stout, Tribal Administrator
Rob Roy, Environmental Director (with workplan comments)

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Region 9 Guidance Information for Applicants <http://www.epa.gov/region9/funding/information.html>

- Omni-Circular under 2 CFR 200 & EPA Regulations under 2 CFR 1500:

EPA has officially adopted the OMB Omni-Circular effective **December 26, 2014**. Specifically, in a [joint interim final rule](#) published in the Federal Register on December 19, 2014 (see 79 Fed. Reg. 76050-76063), EPA adopted the Omni-Circular. This includes adoption of Omni-Circular requirements located at [2 CFR 200](#) along with EPA-specific provisions mandated by statute, regulation or agency policy now codified under [2 CFR 1500](#). OMB's website at <https://cfo.gov/cofar/> is the location for resources regarding the Omni-Circular, including [OMB's Frequently Asked Questions \(FAQ\)](#).

Federal Register:

<http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2014-12-19/pdf/2014-28697.pdf>

2 CFR 200:

<http://www.ecfr.gov/cgi-bin/text-idx?SID=4467ef7edf6418328185fed45270f1f&node=pt2.1.200&rgn=div5>

2 CFR 1500:

<http://www.ecfr.gov/cgi-bin/text-idx?SID=ac772c78043ca73b46f5d168dd3f038f&tpl=/ecfrbrowse/Title02/2chapterXV.tpl>

OMB's FAQ:

<https://cfo.gov/wp-content/uploads/2014/11/2014-11-26-Frequently-Asked-Questions.pdf>

- Interim Financial Assistance Conflict of Interest Policy:

In accordance with the Omni-Circular's Conflict of Interest disclosure requirements under [2 CFR 200.112](#), EPA issued the [Interim Financial Assistance Conflict of Interest Policy](#). Requirements include applicants providing a prominently titled conflict of interest disclosure statement attached to the SF 424, if applicable. This policy applies to all individuals and non-federal entities requesting and receiving EPA financial assistance on or after **December 26, 2014**. (Note: A standard EPA form is not currently available for the COI disclosure requirement since this is an interim policy.)

Interim Policy:

http://www.epa.gov/ogd/epa_interim_financial_assistance_coi_policy.htm

- Submission of Grant Applications via Grants.gov:

Effective **February 17, 2015**, EPA grant applicants must use [Grants.gov](#) to submit their applications. It is highly recommended that EPA applicants complete their registration on Grants.gov now, since the entire process can take up to 30 days to complete. Information located at [Submitting an Application to Grants.gov Apply](#) and [Applicant Resources](#) for Grants.gov will help you get started. Applicants are also encouraged to view a previously recorded [EPA Information Webinar](#) session/ presentation regarding Grants.gov or register for an available session.

Grants.gov support/assistance is available 24 hours a day 7 days a week at 1-800-518-4726 or Support@grants.gov. For International callers, call (606) 545-5035 to speak with a Grants.gov Contact Center representative. Also, the [Region 9 Application Checklist](#) will help ensure your EPA application submitted through Grants.gov is complete.

Guide on Submitting an Application to Grants.gov:

<http://www.epa.gov/ogd/guide/submitting.htm>

Grants.gov Application Resources:

<http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/applicants/applicant-resources.html>

EPA Information Sessions/Webinars:

http://www.epa.gov/ogd/training/grants_gov_information_sessions_for_applicants.htm

Region 9 Application Checklist:

<http://www.epa.gov/region09/funding/pdfs/grantsgov/r9-application-checklist-grantsgov.pdf>

- **Bundling of Grant Application Certifications (for States & Tribes):**

State and Tribal applicants are highly encouraged to submit annually a single set ("bundling") of application certification forms with a cover letter. The letter must indicate the applicable timeframe (usually a federal or state fiscal year) of the certifications for all EPA grant applications received by Region 9 Grants Management Office (GMO) within that period. GMO accepts Adobe format (.pdf) of the letter with applicable signed certification(s) through the electronic mail box:

grantsregion9@epa.gov. Please note that updated forms must be submitted when changes to the responses are required. The following certifications can be bundled:

- ❖ [Standard Form \(SF\) 424B, Assurances for Non-Construction Programs](#)
- ❖ [EPA Form 6600-06, Certification Regarding Lobbying, Certification for Contracts, Grants, Loans and Cooperative Agreements](#)
- ❖ [EPA Form 4700-4, Preaward Compliance Review Report for All Applicants Requesting EPA Financial Assistance](#)

Applicants are highly encouraged to use bundling of their certifications if multiple EPA applications are submitted annually. Bundling can be especially helpful as EPA is transitioning to Grants.gov. Please contact your EPA Grants Specialist for questions regarding bundling.

EPA Application Forms:

<http://www.epa.gov/ogd/forms/forms.htm>

- **Changes to the Minority & Women Business Enterprise (M/WBE) Utilization Reporting Requirement:**

The EPA issued a revised class deviation from [40 CFR 33.502](#) on **December 4, 2014**, which supersedes the M/WBE reporting requirement specified in the recipient's Notice of Award. The EPA financial assistance recipients are now required to report annually when certain conditions are met to reach a threshold of \$150,000. Please review the current information from [EPA's Small Business Programs](#).

40 CFR 33:

http://www.ecfr.gov/cgi-bin/text-idx?SID=04eada1fb1292e21ecf2434ad7bf3781&tpl=/ecfrbrowse/Title40/40cfr33_main_02.tpl

http://www.ecfr.gov/cgi-bin/text-idx?SID=04eada1fb1292e21ecf2434ad7bf3781&tpl=/ecfrbrowse/Title40/40cfr33_main_02.tpl

EPA's Small Business Programs:

http://www.epa.gov/osbp/dbe_reporting.htm

- **Grants Management Training Materials for Tribal Organizations:**

The EPA's Office of Grants and Debarment (OGD) worked with the national Partnership for Environmental Technology Education (NPETE) to develop [training materials for Tribal organizations](#). While OGD is no longer able to offer in-person trainings, the training materials, including the training manuals and webinar recordings, are available for download.

Recipient Training:

http://www.epa.gov/ogd/training/recipient_train.htm

EPA Region 9 - Grants.gov Instructions Guide

(March 2015)

Applications for Federal assistance must be submitted through Grants.gov.

Register with Grants.gov! In order to submit your application using Grants.gov, your organization must be registered with Grants.gov. Please allow four weeks to complete the registration process. Also, please note that you must have a DUNS number and an active SAM.gov registration before registering with Grants.gov. You can find more information about registering at:

<http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/applicants/organization-registration.html>

To Access and Download Grant Application Package go to:

<http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/applicants/download-application-package.html>

1. Funding Opportunity Number (FON).

- A. Competitive Programs: Refer to the competitive solicitation for the applicable FON. Applicant will enter this into the "Funding Opportunity Number" field to locate the application package.
- B. Non-Competitive Discretionary Programs: Obtain FON from your EPA Point of Contact (POC). Applicant will enter this into the "Funding Opportunity Number" field to locate the application package.
- C. Continuing Environmental Programs (CEPs): The list of available CFDA numbers for CEPs have been divided between two FONs. The two FONs used to access the application packages are **EPA-CEP-01** and **EPA-CEP-02**. Refer to the following Attachment to determine which FON your CFDA is published under. Applicant will enter this into the "Funding Opportunity Number" field to locate the packages.

The screenshot shows a web form with three input fields and a button. The first field is labeled 'CFDA Number:' with a '#' symbol to its right. The second field is labeled 'Funding Opportunity Number:' with a '(C)' symbol to its right; a red arrow points to this label. The third field is labeled 'Funding Opportunity Competition ID:' with a '(C)' symbol to its right. Below the fields is a button labeled 'Download Package'.

- 2. **Download the package** associated with CFDA 66.XXX.
- 3. **Complete the Grant Application Package.** Attach the forms and information required by your particular program. **Contact your EPA POC if you have questions about which forms and materials you must submit for your program.**
- 4. **Submit your application.** Go to <http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/applicants/apply-for-grants.html> for more information on this process.
- 5. **Confirm with your EPA POC** that EPA has received your application package. **If for ANY reason you cannot submit your application by the deadline specified, contact your EPA POC immediately.**

For FAQs, User Guides, Checklists, Training and Technical Support, visit the Grants.gov Applicant Resource page at <http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/applicants/applicant-resources.html>

Technical Questions or Issues? Please call (1-800-518-4726) or email (support@grants.gov) the Grants.gov Contact Center (<http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/about/contact-us.html>). Help is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

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Continuing Environmental Programs (CEPs)
(EPA Mandatory Grant Programs)

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CFDAs Under EPA-CEP-01

66.001	Air Pollution Control Program Support
66.032	State Indoor Radon Grants
66.034	Surveys, Studies, Research, Investigations, Demonstrations, and Special Purpose Activities Relating to the Clean Air Act
66.038	Training, Investigations, and Special Purpose Activities of Federally-Recognized Indian Tribes Consistent With the Clean Air Act (CAA), Tribal Sovereignty and the Protection and Management of Air Quality
66.040	State Clean Diesel Grant Program This program contains Recovery Act funding.
66.042	Temporally Integrated Monitoring of Ecosystems (TIME) and Long-Term Monitoring (LTM) Program
66.121	Puget Sound Protection and Restoration: Tribal Implementation Assistance Program
66.124	Coastal Wetlands Planning Protection and Restoration Act
66.125	Lake Pontchartrain Basin Restoration Program (PRP)
66.202	Congressionally Mandated Projects
66.418	Construction Grants for Wastewater Treatment Works This program contains Recovery Act funding.
66.419	Water Pollution Control State, Interstate, and Tribal Program Support
66.432	State Public Water System Supervision
66.433	State Underground Water Source Protection
66.437	Long Island Sound Program
66.454	Water Quality Management Planning This program contains Recovery Act funding.
66.456	National Estuary Program
66.458	Capitalization Grants for Clean Water State Revolving Funds This program contains Recovery Act funding.
66.460	Nonpoint Source Implementation Grants
66.466	Chesapeake Bay Program
66.468	Capitalization Grants for Drinking Water State Revolving Funds This program contains Recovery Act funding.
66.469	Great Lakes Program
66.472	Beach Monitoring and Notification Program Implementation Grants
66.473	Direct Implementation Tribal Cooperative Agreements
66.481	Lake Champlain Basin Program
66.482	Disaster Relief Appropriations Act (DRAA) Hurricane Sandy Capitalization Grants For Clean Water State Revolving Funds
66.483	Disaster Relief Appropriations Act (DRAA) Hurricane Sandy Capitalization Grants for Drinking Water State Revolving Funds
66.508	Senior Environmental Employment Program This program contains Recovery Act funding.
66.517	Regional Applied Research Efforts (RARE)
66.518	State Senior Environmental Employment Program
66.600	Environmental Protection Consolidated Grants for the Insular Areas - Program Support
66.605	Performance Partnership Grants

CFDAs Under EPA-CEP-02

66.700	Consolidated Pesticide Enforcement Cooperative Agreements
66.701	Toxic Substances Compliance Monitoring Cooperative Agreements
66.707	TSCA Title IV State Lead Grants Certification of Lead-Based Paint Professionals
66.714	Regional Agricultural IPM Grants
66.801	Hazardous Waste Management State Program Support
66.802	Superfund State, Political Subdivision, and Indian Tribe Site-Specific Cooperative Agreements This program contains Recovery Act funding.
66.804	Underground Storage Tank Prevention, Detection and Compliance Program
66.805	Leaking Underground Storage Tank Trust Fund Corrective Action Program This program contains Recovery Act funding.
66.808	Solid Waste Management Assistance Grants
66.809	Superfund State and Indian Tribe Core Program Cooperative Agreements
66.817	State and Tribal Response Program Grants
66.819	Disaster Relief Appropriations Act (DRAA) Hurricane Sandy Leaking Underground Storage Tank Trust Fund Corrective Action Program
66.926	Indian Environmental General Assistance Program (GAP)
66.931	International Financial Assistance Projects Sponsored by the Office of International and Tribal Affairs